

U.S. Senate at a time when most people his age retire and go fishing or play golf. At 65, Reverend Halverson undertook the most significant, perhaps the most difficult, task of his life—ministering to the spiritual needs of 100 U.S. Senators, their staffs, employees of the Senate and countless others who came to him for counsel and prayer. He fulfilled that mission with great honor.

I will always remember Reverend Halverson as a gracious man, a man of considerable intellect, and especially a scholar of the Old Testament and the Jewish religion, about which we had memorable conversations.

We will miss Reverend Halverson, especially in a time when partisan rancor seems so sharp and divisive here in Capitol Hill, and in a society where bedrock values like belief in God and respect for one another seem to be at such risk. His warm presence always stood in strong contrast to the trials of the moment. We have faith that he is in the embrace of a loving God.

Yet, I am confident he is praying for us still. May God bless Reverend Halverson, and may He grant his family and many friends solace from the grief we share at his passing, and confidence that life eternal is the reward for those who live to His will.

MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO DR. RICHARD HALVERSON

Mrs. KASSEBAUM. Mr. President, last week the Senate and the Nation lost a gifted spiritual adviser. All of us mourn the death of Dr. Richard Halverson, who served here for 14 years as Senate Chaplain before retiring last February.

As shepherd of his Senate flock, Dr. Halverson always brought strength of faith and a wealth of patience in his actions to all, whether on the floor of the Senate or to the broader national audience. For 14 years, his prayers began each of our working days and did so with spiritual substance, expecting from all of us the very best standards of conduct, understanding and commitment.

I valued his friendship as well as his spiritual leadership. I will hold a special memory of his committed caring and the twinkle in his eye.

TRIBUTE TO THE REVEREND DR. RICHARD HALVERSON

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, in one of his books, Dr. Halverson wrote, "It is foolish to say there is no God. But it is infinitely more foolish to say there is and to live as though there were not." Dr. Halverson's special grace was in his way of helping us to bridge the gap between faith and practice. As a preacher, Chaplain Halverson fought against unbelief but, as a pastor, he was equally concerned about hypocrisy.

Dick, as he was known to all of us in the Senate, loved his country, loved the Senate as an institution, but more

importantly he loved us as individual Members of the Senate. His deep caring spirit was evident in his availability at all times to attend to the needs of Senators and our families. He knew us all and, even so, managed to love us whatever our backgrounds may have been. And, not only the Senators, Dick loved the staffers, the elevator operators, the police officers, and everyone he met in the course of a day on the Hill. No one knew more people than did Dick.

His daily prayers in the Senate acted as a reality check for each of us. One morning his prayers began:

Gracious Father in Heaven, help us to keep our priorities straight. In this center of power, secondary matters have a way of pre-occupying our attention and preempting our time. Help us not to take ourselves too seriously, forgetting that we are fallible human beings with many needs. Deliver us from VIP syndrome which expects or demands preferential treatment.

It is these actions and thoughts which live on in our hearts and minds as we think of Dick. His words and love taught us much and each of us is the better for having known him. He was a special gift to us and we shall remember him.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-1659. A communication from the Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development (for Legislative and Public Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on financial statements on the Micro and Small Enterprise Development ("MSED") Program for fiscal year 1994; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1660. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Inspector General Act for the period April 1 through September 30, 1995; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1661. A communication from the Executive Director of the Federal Retirement Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, audit reports issued during fiscal year 1995; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1662. A communication from the Executive Director of the Harry Truman Scholarship Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1995; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1663. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, reports of three deferrals of budget authority; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on Appropriations, to the Committee on the Budget, to the Committee on Finance, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1664. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 93-02; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-1665. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a statement regarding a transaction involving exports to the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1666. A communication from the Executive Director of the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the final report during calendar year 1995; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1667. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the final report on the Tanker Navigation Safety Research Baseline study; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1668. A communication from the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the nondisclosure safeguards information for the quarter beginning July 1 through September 30, 1995; to the Committee on the Environment and Public Works.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-476. A resolution adopted by the Nevada League of Cities relative to the Nevada Test Site; to the Committee on Armed Services.

POM-477. A resolution adopted by the Interfaith Council to Assist Vietnamese Refugees relative to Vietnamese asylum seekers; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

POM-478. A resolution adopted by the Greater Nashville Regional Council of Nashville, Tennessee relative to the Southern Power Administration; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

POM-479. A resolution adopted by the American Legislative Exchange Council relative to the Consumer Price Index; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. THURMOND, from the Committee on Armed Services:

The following U.S. Army Reserve officers for promotion in the Reserve of the Army to the grades indicated under title 10, U.S.C. sections 3371, 3384 and 12203(a):

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Jorge Arzola, 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. William E. Barron, 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. Tommy W. Bonds, 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. William N. Clark, 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. George W. Goldsmith, Jr., 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. Ralph L. Haynes, 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. William B. Hobgood, 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. Curtis A. Loop, 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. James M. McDougal, 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. William C. Mercurio, 000-00-0000.
Brig. Gen. Evo Riguzzi, Jr., 000-00-0000.

To be brigadier general

Col. Patricia J. Anderson, 000-00-0000.
Col. William S. Anthony, 000-00-0000.
Col. David R. Bockel, 000-00-0000.
Col. Robert W. Chestnut, 000-00-0000.
Col. Richard E. Coleman, 000-00-0000.
Col. James M. Collins, Jr., 000-00-0000.

Col. Perry V. Dalby, 000-00-0000.
 Col. William N. Kiefer, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Robert M. Kimmitt, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Robert A. Lee, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Paul E. Lima, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Richard D. Lynch, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Robert G. Mennona, Jr., 000-00-0000.
 Col. H. Douglas Robertson, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Jon R. Root, 000-00-0000.
 Col. John L. Scott, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Gerry G. Thames, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Thomas A. Wessels, 000-00-0000.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general in the U.S. Army while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601(a):

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Schwartz, 000-00-0000.

The following-named officer to be placed on the retired list of the U.S. Army in the grade indicated under section 1370 of title 10, U.S.C.

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Paul E. Funk, 000-00-0000.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of Vice Admiral in the U.S. Navy while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. Alexander J. Krekich, 000-00-0000.

The following-named officer to be placed on the retired list of the U.S. Navy in the grade indicated under section 1370 of title 10, U.S.C.

To be admiral

Adm. Henry G. Chiles, Jr., 000-00-0000.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services, I report favorably the attached listing of nominations.

Those identified with a single asterisk (*) are to be placed on the Executive Calendar. Those identified with a double asterisk (**) are to lie on the Secretary's desk for the information of any Senator since these names have already appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of October 27 and 31, November 7 and 8, 1995, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar, that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

(The nominations ordered to lie on the Secretary's desk were printed in the RECORDS of October 27, 31, November 7 and 8, 1995, at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

*Rear Admiral Alexander J. Krekich, USN to be vice admiral (Reference No. 682)

**In the Army Reserve there are 49 promotions to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Raymond W. Carpenter) (Reference No. 700)

**In the Army Reserve there are 2 appointments to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Nelson M. Alverio) (Reference No. 704)

**In the Navy there are 1,233 appointments to the grade of ensign (list begins with Bobby Z. Abadi) (Reference No. 705)

**In the Army Reserve there are 583 promotions to the grade of colonel (list begins with Virgil A. Abel) (Reference No. 706)

*In the Army Reserve there are 29 promotions to the grade of major general and below (list begins with Jorge Arzola) (Reference No. 711)

**In the Air Force Reserve there are 19 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Monika K. Botschner) (Reference No. 714)

**In the Navy there are 6 appointments to the grade of lieutenant (list begins with Brian G. Buck) (Reference No. 715)

**In the Army there are 5 promotions to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Travis L. Hooper) (Reference No. 718)

**In the Army there are 4 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel list begins with Bobby T. Anderson) (Reference No. 719)

*Admiral Henry G. Chiles, Jr., USN to be placed on the retired list in the grade of admiral (Reference No. 724)

Total: 1,932.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BREAUX (for himself and Mr. JOHNSTON):

S. 1444. A bill to provide for 1 additional Federal judge for the middle district of Louisiana and 1 less Federal judge for the eastern district of Louisiana; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PRESSLER (for himself and Mr. BURNS):

S. 1445. A bill to authorize appropriations for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources, pursuant to the order of March 3, 1988, with instructions, that if reported the bill then be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation for a period not to exceed 30 session days.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. 1446. A bill to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to establish an Inspector General of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. PRYOR):

S. 1447. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for Federal-State performance partnerships, to consolidate all nutrition programs under the Act in the Department of Health and Human Services, to extend authorizations of appropriations for programs under the Act through fiscal year 1998, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 1448. A bill to establish the National Commission on Gay and Lesbian Youth Suicide Prevention, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 1449. A bill to make agricultural promotion boards and councils more responsive to producers whose mandatory assessments support the activities of such boards and councils, to improve the representation and participation of such producers on such boards and councils, to ensure the independence of such boards and councils, to ensure the appropriate use of promotion funds, to prevent legislatively authorized promotion and research boards from using mandatory assessments to directly or indirectly influence legislation or governmental action or policy, and for other purposes; to the Com-

mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SIMON (for himself and Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN):

S. Res. 197. A resolution to congratulate the Northwestern University Wildcats on winning the 1995 Big Ten Conference football championship and on receiving an invitation to compete in the 1996 Rose Bowl, and to commend Northwestern University for its pursuit of athletic and academic excellence; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. PRESSLER (for himself and Mr. BURNS):

S. 1445. A bill to authorize appropriations for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes.

THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
 AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1995

Mr. PRESSLER. Mr. President, today, as chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, I am introducing the National Science Foundation Authorization Act of 1995. The bill provides a 3-year authorization for the science and education programs of the National Science Foundation [NSF]. Our economy, our quality of life, and our national security are increasingly dependent on our leadership in science and technology. Since its beginnings in 1950, the NSF has played a central role in maintaining that leadership through its research programs. In fact, NSF remains the principal source of funding for fundamental research at our Nation's academic institutions.

While America is still doing well in science and technology, our leadership position is slipping. For example, while the U.S. leads the world in total dollars spent on research and development, both Japan and Germany currently outspend the United States as a percentage of GNP. Similarly, a recent study by the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy revealed the U.S. leads in 27 critical technologies, but Europe and Japan are catching up in many of those areas.

There is little question that meeting these challenges in science and technology requires a strong and robust NSF. To that end, the legislation I am introducing today provides \$3.2 billion for each of fiscal years 1996, 1997, and 1998 to allow NSF to continue its efforts to keep America at the forefront of basic research. In a fiscal environmental in which we are looking to eliminate entire agencies, this authorization bill reflects a strong commitment to basic science. The annual funding is only slightly below NSF's fiscal year 1995 funding level. Moreover, the bill's funding authorizations for both the overall agency and its